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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hidehei Kageyama

Serial No.: 10/642,198

Group Art Unit: 3751

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Examiner: David J. Walczak

For: STICK-LIKE OBJECT RECEIVING MEMBER AND BARREL PROVIDED WITH
STICK-LIKE OBJECT RECEIVING MEMBER

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-4 and 10-25 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claim 1 is amended to more clearly define the invention, claims 5-9 are canceled, and claims 10-25 are added. Claims 1, 10, and 18 are independent.